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Dec. 18, 1877—dwt.

Petition for an Order to Sell

Real Estate.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, vs.

Macon County.

In the County Court, February Term, 1878.

James Durnin, administrator of the estate of

Benjamin Mahannah, deceased, petitioner,

v. Sarah Mahannah, Stephen Mahannah,

Mark Mahannah, Henry Latham, and James

W. Mahannah—Petitioner for an order to sell

real estate.

A. DAVIDT having been filed by James

Durnin, the petitioner above-named, in

the office of the Clerk, and returned

to the same, the petitioner, Sarah Mahannah,

Henry Latham, and Mark Mahannah, and

Stephen Mahannah, the wife of the deceased,

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, vs.

Macon County.

In the County Court, February Term, 1878. James Dunning, administrator of the estate of Benjamin Mahannah, deceased, of the town of Latham, in the county of Macon, and Maria Latham, Henry Latham, her husband, Jacob Mahannah, and Eli Mahannah, are co-respondents in the state of Illinois, and are all residents of the state of Illinois. Jacob and Henry Latham are residents of Soderville City, McHenry county, Kansas; that Jacob Mahannah is a resident of Wichita, Sedgewick county, Kansas; that the residence of said Eli Mahannah is in the state of Illinois, and upon the same cannot be ascertained. A copy of this petition is hereby given to the said Maria Latham and Henry Latham, Jacob Mahannah and Eli Mahannah, that the said James Dunning has filed his petition, it is held court, praying for an order to sell, to the highest bidder, the real estate in Macon county, described in the petition, in the state of Illinois, to wit: Thirty-two acres out of the west half of the west half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-four, in township sixteen, range thirty-three, in the state of Illinois, described, and that damages in said cause will be recoverable at the February term, A. D. 1878, of said court, to be held at the Court House in Soderville, McHenry county, on the first Monday in February, 1878.

Unknown, the said Maria Latham Henry Latham, Jacob Mahannah and Eli Mahannah, shall appear before said court on the first day of the term, to answer the petition, and to the said petition the allegations contained therein will be taken as confessed by you and an order entered in accordance with the prayer of said petition.

HENRY W. WAGGONER,

Clerk of Macon County Court, Collector.

Dec. 14-77-d&wtf

Report of the Condition of the
DECATUR NATIONAL BANK
At Decatur, in the State of Illinois, at the
close of business Dec. 14th 1877.

RESOURCES.

Interest and discounts..... \$11,146.58

Overdrafts, to cover circulation..... 50,000.00

Due from other National Banks..... 4,977.64

Due from State Banks and banks, including furniture and fixtures, and bank buildings, and taxes paid..... 1,021.71

Postage and express..... 1,268.18

Deposits, including interest..... 1,401.75

Checks and other cash items..... 2,409.56

Bank of other Banks..... 7,900.00

fractional currency (including nickel)..... 1,618.71

Spec. Indent. Gold T-Notes..... 85.71

Legal tender notes, including T-Notes..... 0.00

Banking Fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 cent of circulation..... 2,877.00

Postage..... 925.69

INVESTMENTS.

Capital stock paid in..... \$100,000.00

Capital stock unearned..... 7,850.00

Dividends paid..... 0.00

Interest on capital and other investments..... 1,000.00

Individual deposits, subject to check..... 44,791.88

Demand certificates of deposit..... 3,958.82

Time certificates of deposit..... 6,810.80

Notes and bills re-discounted..... 2,000.00

Total..... \$106,004.49

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON, vs.

J. Geo. W. Bright, Acting Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Geo. W. Bright, Acting Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1878.

WILLIAM C. JOHNS, Notary Public.

Conscript-Attestor.

D. B. BRENNEMAN,

W. C. JOHNS, Directors.

Decatur, Ill.

ANOTHER POSTAL CONGRESS.

Another Postal Congress is about to be held in Europe, and France will propose

international post office orders at one

per cent. tax, the rate of exchange to be

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of Berne, upon the suggestion of Messrs.

Blackfin and Vignaud, two Americans,

who had prepared the project for the

International Postal Union.

"There is not," writes an editor of the

Decatur Daily Champion, "a quieter,

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ly community in the Western country."

And then, as the office boy entered to

say that somebody wanted to see him,

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the desk in front of him, and said: "Jim,

get another coffin, plain pine one,

this time, and let the son of a gun in."

TIGHT BOOTS.

We prowled on several hours, sometimes inland, and finally managed to get lost, which is a fact that required talent in Berituda. I had on new shoes. They were No. 7's when I started, but were not more than 5's now, and still diminishing. I walked two hours; in those hours after that before we reached home Doubtless I could have the reader's sympathy for the asking. Many people have never had the headache or the toothache, and I am one of those myself; but everybody has worn tight shoes for two or three hours, and known the luxury of taking them off in a retired place and seeing his feet swell up and obscure the firmament. Few of us will ever forget the exquisite hour we were married. Once when I was a callow, bashful cub, I took a plain, unsentimental country girl to a comedy one night. I had known her a day; she seemed divine; I wore my new boots. At the end of the first half hour she said, "Why do you fidget so with your feet?" I said, "Did I?" Then I put my attention there and kept still. At the end of another half-hour she said, "Why do you say 'Yes, Yes' and 'Ha, ha; O, certainly! very true!' to everything I say, when half the time those are entirely irrelevant answers?" I blushed, and explained that I had been a little absent-minded. At the end of another half-hour she said, "Please, why do you grin so steadily at vacancy, and yet look so sad?" I explained that I always did that when I was reflecting. An hour passed, and then she turned and contemplated me with her earnest eyes and said, "Why do you cry, all the time?" I explained that very funny comedies always made me cry. At last human nature surrendered, and I secretly slipped my boots off. This was a mistake. I was not able to get them on again. It was a rainy night, there were no omnibuses going our way; and as I walked home, burning up with shame, with the girl on one arm and my boots under the other, I was an object worthy of compassion, especially in those moments of martyrdom when I had to pass through the glare that fell upon the pavement from street-lamps. Finally, this child of the forest said, "Where are your boots?" and being taken unprepared, I put a fitting finish to the follies of the evening with the stupid remark, "The higher classes do not wear them to the theatre." —Mark Twain's "Bermuda trip" — Atlantic Monthly.

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The Honolulu papers announce the death of William P. Ragdale, Governor of the leper settlement on the island of Molokai. Ragdale was a Hawaiian by birth and was at one time a prominent lawyer and the most noted orator of the kingdom. He discovered that he was affected with leprosy, and voluntarily retired to the leper settlement. Here he found about 800 lepers, and a number of others who had exiled themselves to be near unfortunate relatives and friends. He introduced many reforms, and made the saddest community in the world one of the most cheerful.

A RATHER novel system is about to be adopted by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the abatement of the tramp nuisance along the line of their road. A number of strongly made cars have been prepared, so arranged as to accommodate prisoners separated from each other, and which are to be used for the incarceration of tramps caught in criminal conduct in rural districts remote from county jails. County authorities have been asked to aid in testing this effort, which will of course fail, unless it is legally indorsed, as the company has no authority of its own to deprive any man, however degraded an outcast, of his liberty. The effect of this policy, if fairly managed, will cause a stampede of tramps who have been depredating along the Pennsylvania road to other parts of the State.

It appears that the last straw that weighed in the balance against Sena or Dennis's re-election by the Maryland Legislature, was the fact that he joined Conkling in defeating the President's New York Custom House nomination. The Legislature had, also, early in the Senatorial caucus, indicated that Montgomery Blair's outbreak against the President's tie had spoiled whatever chance that gentleman may have possessed.

Some of the New York jobbing-houses are discussing the feasibility of dispensing with that costly element in their business, the commercial-traveler. It seems to be generally agreed that the expense of keeping a legion of drummers in the field necessitates the addition of a considerable percentage to the price of goods, and that, where active competition compels the sacrifice of this percentage, the burden becomes burdensome to the jobbers themselves.

Suits have been brought against the Union Pacific railroad and the Central Pacific railroad to recover about \$5,000,000 which these roads jointly owe to the Government. The roads in question are indebted to the United States in the amount of nearly \$77,000,000, for which bonds are held, which will mature in 1897. In the meantime the roads have no interest to pay on their bonds, but are pledged to pay the United States while they are maturing one-half the transportation accounts, and 5 per cent. of their net earnings. The transportation items the Government has withheld, while the companies have, in turn, withheld the 5 per cent. on the profits, which is the basis of the action above referred to.

The late Mr. Greeley's estate has been finally settled. Among the assets were \$80,000 worth of broken promises to pay, the only certain value of which, unfortunately for his family, is their value as waste paper.

The son of a Washington Church, while recently counting over the collection money, found an old and faded piece of paper, which proved to be his nearly outworn note for \$30, which the holder, unable to collect, had turned into the treasury of the Lord.

The Parisians, it is said, are less madly gay than they were before the war of 1870. But it is difficult to think of Paris otherwise than as a continual carnival-ground, a pleasure resort for the world. Are they a sadder and a soberer people? Do not think it. A correspondent writes that they are to have some masked balls at the Grand Opera-House soon, but he surmises that these masquerade entertainments will not succeed so well in the new as in the old regime. Vacant! Stroll down the Elysees or the Boulevard des Italiens any fine night, and, watching the ceaseless throng of gayety, convince yourself that you are not in a masquerade!

PUNCTUALITY.

Business is the soul of business, and it is astonishing how many people are unpunctual. It is not only a serious vice in itself, but the fruitful parent of numerous other vices, so that he who becomes its victim is soon involved in toils from which it is almost impossible to escape. It makes the merchant wasteful of time, upsets the business reputation of the lawyer, and injures the prospects of mechanics who might otherwise rise to fortune; in a word, there is not a profession nor station in life which is not liable to the curse of this destructive habit.

A large lot of new Prints just received at B. Hampton's

LETTER FROM CHICAGO.

THE FASHIONS AND SO FORTH.

MARTIN RUGGIANO.—This letter relates solely to the fashions of the gentlemen. There's been a "cheil among 'em takin' notes." The first and uppermost in the hat. It is not so extensive as in the good old days, but is a little larger than the silver dollar of the daddies. It is worn with a dashboard in front, like the frontpiece of a buggy. On the rear end of the hat is about the fourth part of a rabbit skin, or a bird's wing or tail, according to the taste of the wearer. The selection of this ornamental attachment and its shape and quantity is purely a matter of taste and discretion. The color varies with the age of the gentleman. If he is say 30 years of age the color is something of a buff nature denoting ripeness. If he is 30, then the color is crimson or violet or something of that nature. The hat is worn middling well back on the head, at about an angle of 45 degrees with the plane of the ecliptic. In other words, the hub is located on the head at about where the hub spot is upon the head of a Canadian priest. The ornamental part of the hat is what costs money. The balance of the hat, on an average, would cost about three cents, more or less.

There are two styles of wearing the hair. The first is what is called the smash. The hair for about two inches back of the forehead is all tangled up and looks for all the world like an old-fashioned brush fence. To be more accurate, it resembles a piece of wool that you pick out of an old mattress that has been in the service for about 40 years. That part of the head looks as if it had gone through a collision, it is so frizzled and mussed up like. The second style is where you cut off the front hair and let it hang down to within an eighth of an inch of the eyebrows. This style fills out the manly brow and makes a person look intellectual, like Nero for instance. It is thought that this latter style is going out of fashion but it is hoped that it will hold out until after the next cholera season comes around again. But little attention is paid to the back of the head, in fact it does not deserve much.

The next is the pantaloons, called pants among ordinary folks. They are made of all sorts of fabrics, but the most popular is the snowflake. Pants are cut long, too long for the condition of the streets this winter, but we did not know what sort of a winter we were going to have. While the gentlemen are walking on the street the proper thing for them to do is to hold up their right pants leg about a foot high, more or less, according to the underwear. This is done to keep that particular pants leg off the walk and out of the dirt. It won't do to hold both up. It would look like a fellow was wading through shallow water, you know. The left pants leg is left to take care of itself. Who cares for it anyhow? I saw a fellow on the street the other day, right from Field & Leiter's, who had up his left pant leg. Poor fellow—his right hand was off and that was the best he could do.

The coats worn are called "cut-aways," which means that they are rounded off at top and bottom and would resemble the side view of a rocking chair. The material is Scotch or resembles Scotch, and is of various colors and conditions. MORE ANOV.

Why is it in every scheme proposed by Secretary Sherman, the intervention of the broker and middleman must be called in between the purchaser of the government bonds and the government? In the plan gotten up by Mr. Sherman for the sale of bonds of small denominations direct to the people, it is proposed to make the certificate of deposit convertible into a long time bond in place of convertible into greenbacks at the pleasure of the holder. In order to make the government savings scheme of any particular benefit to the poorer classes, their savings must be convertible into cash at pleasure, but in place of this the Secretary proposes that the matter shall be so arranged that when the depositor desires to use his money he must go to the broker and submit to whatever share he may see fit to make upon the long time bond. It is probably that if the certificates of deposits were payable in greenbacks on demand and to be held only

Oct. 2—d&wif LINN & SORGENS.

Notice.—As I wish to retire from the jewelry business, I will sell my entire stock, consisting of Watchs, Clocks, Jewelry, Silver and Plated Ware, Musical Instruments, &c., &c., at first cost, for cash only. All desiring anything in my line may be convinced that I mean what I say by giving me a call.

J. L. KRIEGER,

24 Merchant St., Decatur, Ill.

Jan. 10—d&wif

Old Pianos and Organs taken in ex-

change for new ones, at Goldstein's Music Store, Water street, Decatur, Ill.

Nov. 17—

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Jan. 10—d&wif

The Great Popularity of the "Old

Domino" Buck Gloves and Gauntlets

has induced parties, both in Decatur and

surrounding towns, to sell inferior gloves

under this name. None are genuine un-

less stamped "Geo. Ott." on the inside,

and to be held only

Oct. 2—d&wif LINN & SORGENS.

Reading and hearing are two things,

seeing is another. Go and see the great

bargains in boots and shoes, at

Jan. 10—d&wif HARNER & BAKER'S.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—The work-

men held their convention this even-

ing. The police discovered the place

of meeting and made a decent upon it.

The captain in charge, who was vested

with discretionary powers, entered the

hall, and finding the proceedings of a

quiet and legitimate character, forbore

to interfere and the convention com-

pleted the business of the evening and

adjourned without disturbance, after

effecting an organization, until Wednes-

day evening. A committee was ap-

pointed to obtain a writ of mandamus

from the mayor to show cause why the

convention should not be permitted to

hold its sessions undisturbed.

The run on the Odd Fellows savings

bank, subsided, to-day. That on the

Clay street bank, continued quite brisk-

ly, but the officers express no concern

and seem confident the run will wear

itself out, rendering unnecessary any steps

to realize upon assets.

DR. MORRIS, Iowa, Jan. 22.—The

House at 8 o'clock this afternoon voted

for United States Senator Mr. Allison

had 67 votes; L. F. Miller, 23; and C.

N. Gates, 3.

The Senate voted for U. S. Senator:

Allison, 32; Lemuel F. Miller, 12.

The total Legislative vote is: Alli-

son, 99; Miller, 35; and Gates, 3.

USING STRAW FOR FOOD.

The Russian Mennonite settlement in Nebraska has taught Americans one trick worth knowing at least. Usually in the prairie states of the West there is considerable suffering in extremely cold weather from lack of fuel. Farmers have been known to burn their corn from necessity. People have frozen to death in some of the terrible prairie storms. But the Mennonites introduced simple furnaces for burning straw. One of these furnaces only costs five dollars for the iron work, the rest being made of brick and clay. By proper use, a ton of straw will go more half as far as a ton of coal for fuel. The Mennonites twist the straw into hard rolls, or press it into small cakes, so that it burns as wood, and gives off as much heat. One of these furnaces, supplied with fuel only three times a day, will keep a Mennonite house warm the whole twenty-four hours, besides doing the cooking. As coal is costly and wood still more so, and as heretofore western farmers have wasted their straw, the Mennonite plan of preparing and using it for fuel is an economy which will prove of great value to the prairie states, and it is rapidly extending among the Americans. Of course, American invention will speedily supply hand machines for pressing the straw into cakes, and improved stoves for burning it.

MONEY INVESTED.

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A RATHER novel system is about to be adopted by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the abatement of the tramp nuisance along the line of their road. A number of strongly made cars have been prepared, so arranged as to accommodate prisoners separated from each other, and which are to be used for the incarceration of tramps caught in criminal conduct in rural districts remote from county jails. County authorities have been asked to aid in testing this effort, which will of course fail, unless it is legally indorsed, as the company has no authority of its own to deprive any man, however degraded an outcast, of his liberty. The effect of this policy, if fairly managed, will cause a stampede of tramps who have been depredating along the Pennsylvania road to other parts of the State.

It appears that the last straw that weighed in the balance against Sen. Dennis' re-election by the Maryland Legislature, was the fact that he joined Conkling in defeating the President's New York Custom House nominations. The Legislature had, also, early in the Senatorial canvass, indicated that Montgomery Blair's outbreak against the President's title had spoiled whatever chance that gentleman may have possessed.

Some of the New York jobbing-houses are discussing the feasibility of dispensing with that costly element in their business, the commercial traveler. It seems to be generally agreed that the expense of keeping legions of drummers in the field necessitates the addition of a considerable percentage to the price of goods, and that, where active competition compels the sacrifice of this percentage, the burden becomes burdensome to the jobbers themselves.

Suits have been brought against the Union Pacific railroad and the Central Pacific railroad to recover about \$5,500,000 which these roads jointly owe to the Government. The roads in question are indebted to the United States in the amount of nearly \$77,000,000, for which bonds are held, which will mature in 1897. In the meantime the roads have no interest to pay on their bonds, but are pledged to pay the United States while they are maturing one-half the transportation accounts, and 5 per cent. of their net earnings. The transportation items the Government has withheld, while the companies have, in turn, withheld the 5 per cent. on the profits, which is the basis of the action above referred to.

The late Mr. Greeley's estate has been finally settled. Among the assets were \$50,000 worth of broken promises to pay, the only certain value of which, unfortunately for his family, is their value as waste paper.

The deacon of a Washington Church, while recently counting over the collection money, found an old and faded piece of paper, which proved to be his own nearly outlawed note for \$30, which the holder, unable to collect, had turned into the treasury of the Lord.

The Parisians, it is said, are less madly gay than they were before the war of 1870. But it is difficult to think of Paris otherwise than as a continual carnival-ground, a pleasure resort for the world. Are they a sadder and a soberer people? Do not think it. A correspondent writes that they are to have some masked balls at the Grand Opera-House soon, but he surmises that these madcap entertainments will not succeed so well in the new as in the old regime. Vanity! Stroll down the Elysees or the Boulevard des Italiens any fine night, and, watching the ceaseless throng of gayety, convince yourself that you are not in a masquerade!

PUNCTUALITY.

Punctuality is the soul of business, and it is astonishing how many people are unpunctual. It is not only a serious vice in itself, but the fruitful parent of numerous other vices, so that he who becomes its victim is soon involved in toils from which it is almost impossible to escape. It makes the merchant wasteful of time, saps the business reputation of the lawyer, and injures the prospects of mechanics who might otherwise rise to fortune; in a word, there is not a profession nor station in life which is not liable to the curse of this destructive habit.

A large list of new Prints just received at G. H. Smith's. — J. M. Smith.

LETTER FROM CHICAGO.

THE FASHIONS AND SO FORTH.

HANSHER & MOSSER REPUBLICAN. — This letter relates solely to the fashions of the gentlemen. There's been a "ceil among 'em takin' notes." The first and uppermost is the hat. It is not so extensive as in the good old days, but is a little larger than the silver dollar of the daddies. It is worn with dashboard in front, like the frontpiece of a buggy. On the rear end of the hat is about the fourth part of a rabbit skin, or a bird's wing or tail, according to the taste of the wearer. The selection of this ornamental attachment and its shape and quantity is purely a matter of taste and discretion. The color varies with the age of the gentleman. If he is 50 years of age the color is something of a buff nature denoting ripeness. If he is 30, then the color is terracotta or violet or something of that nature. The hat is worn middling well back on the head, at about an angle of 45 degrees with the plane of the ecliptic. In other words, the hub is located on the head at about where the bald spot is upon the head of a Canadian priest. The ornamental part of the hat is what costs money. The balance of the hat, on an average, would cost about three cents, more or less.

There are two styles of wearing the hair. The first is what is called the smash. The hair for about two inches back of the forehead is all tangled up and looks for all the world like an old-fashioned brush fence. To be more accurate, it resembles a piece of wool that you pick out of an old mattress that has been in the service for about 40 years. That part of the head looks as if it had gone through a collision, it is so frizzed and mussed up like. The second style is where you cut off the front hair and let it hang down to within an eighth of an inch of the eyebrows. This style fits out the manly brow and makes person look intellectual, like Nero for instance. It is thought that this latter style is going out of fashion, but it is hoped that it will hold on until after the next cholera season comes around again. But little attention is paid to the back of the head, in fact it doesn't deserve much.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 26, 1878.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce James E. Winkler as a candidate for Marshal, subject to the action of the various people of Decatur.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

A Few Fine Checks yet on hand, that will be closed at a great bargain.

Jan. 22—dwt Linn & Scruggs.

Cheap Charley's motto: "Be just, and star not!"

WELCOME sunshine.

Mud is frozen—so far so good.

WEEKLY REPUBLICAN to-morrow.

REGULAR weekly prayer meetings at all the churches to-night.

Good weather will bring us good roads. Cork is being shipped from this county quite rapidly.

DAYS have lengthened about twenty minutes at each end.

Circuit court is grinding away on the criminal docket, which will probably occupy the balance of this week.

PRAYER meetings at the churches this evening, except where preaching is substituted.

AT RETAIL—I. W. Harmon, provisional assignee of S. M. Straily, will open for sale at retail this evening, the stock of groceries belonging to said estate. Look out for bargains.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE—There will be a fifteen-minute sermon by Rev. S. MacBurrey in the lecture room of Stump's Chapel this evening.

INCREASING RELIGIOUS INTEREST—Several of the city churches are holding services each evening this week, with the exception of Saturday. From these meetings we hear very encouraging reports, and the members of the several churches are hopeful that a general religious awakening may be realized in the city.

BISHOP WEAVER.—This eminent minister and Bishop of the United Brethren Church, is to spend next Sabbath with the U B Church in this city, and is expected to preach both morning and evening. Bishop Weaver is regarded as one of the finest pulpit orators in the country and the opportunity to hear him will doubtless be embraced by many persons outside of his denomination.

ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPT AT RAPE.—Emil Ferry was arrested on the 21st of January, and was brought before Justice Binkley, of Warrensburg, under a charge of an attempt to commit a rape. He was held to bail in the sum of \$200, to defend of which he was turned over to Sheriff Forstmyer by Zachariah Boughn and Constable Cox yesterday, and lodged in jail. The young man's friends claim that he is partially deranged, and it is presumed they will attempt to prove that fact.

A FINE PARTY—Mr. F. W. Anderson gave a party last evening to a select company of his friends, at the residence of the Misses Dresbach, on Broadway. There were some forty couples present, and all unite in praises of the superb style in which they were entertained. The house was most charmingly decorated, the music was faultless, and the supper was perfectly elegant. Frank did the honors of the evening in right royal style, and his guests went away more than delighted.

THE UNION MEETINGS.—The union meeting at the opera house was well attended this morning, and was led by Rev. W. B. Allon, pastor of the Bethel. There was quite a sprinkling of business men in the audience, who took part in the exercises. Since the adoption of the resolution to confine prayers and remarks to three minutes the services move with the regularity of clock-work. If a brother is praying or speaking, when his three minutes time is up the bell of the bell by the manager of the meeting invites him to sit down. A majority of those who take part take up their full time, and are called down by the bell-tap. An earnest spirit seems to pervade the meetings, and should such services be continued, the religious interest may become as great and general as is the interest in the temperance question.

MORE PORTRAITS—Messrs. Young & Moon are still turning out their fine oil portraits, the latest ones finished being those of Hon. Thomas J. Abel, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Shlauder. These specimens of their work are fully up to the high standard reached by these talented artists in their earlier efforts about Decatur. There is about their portraits a softness of coloring that is altogether unusual in works of this character, and an ease and gracefulness of position that is in happy contrast to the stiff and ungainly air that mark so many otherwise good portraits. Messrs. Young & Moon are true artists, and deserve to be encouraged.

THE OLD BOSTONIAN BUCK GLOVES AND MITTS, the best and cheapest in America, at Jan. 23—dwt Linn & Scruggs.

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THE BEST WHITE SHIRTS in the city for one dollar, at Linn & Scruggs.

With increasing cold weather comes those dreadful Coughs and Colds, which are so easily and effectively cured with Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup. It is always warranted to give satisfaction. Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. Jan. 23—dwt Linn & Scruggs.

PETTY JURIES

Summoned for the 9th and 10th weeks of the present term of court, to appear on January 28th, at 10 o'clock:

Hoover, Hastings, Illino.

J. B. Adams, Midway.

J. B. Campbell, History.

O. E. King, Disease.

Thomas F. Jones, Doctor.

Walker B. Hunter, Whitmore.

William Johnson, Macon.

Cooper Enterprise, Oakley.

George Letby, Decatur.

Charles B. Palmer, Wheatland.

Mike Wadding, Marion.

Christopher Black, Pleasant View.

T. M. Taylor, Blue Mound.

John Underwood, Whitmore.

Thomas Phillips, Decatur.

Frank Little, Decatur.

S. M. Currier, Friends Creek.

John W. Duvall, Whitmore.

D. O. Abrams, Blue Mound.

John Clark, Niantic.

S. Disney, Hickory.

John Edmonson, Niantic.

John Shaefkin, Macon.

John McGlaugh, Marion.

D. Beeker, Illino.

John P. Jones, Decatur.

Jacob Zinn, Whitmore.

Willis Guntner, Oakley.

John Strope, Whitmore.

David Erwin, Hickory.

Christian Girl, Long Creek.

James Scott, Antioch.

Albert Conover, Harristown.

Samuel Alexander, Macon.

Joseph Brown, Austin.

J. B. G. Hickory.

R. S. Willett, Friends Creek.

John Jones, Mt. Zion.

Alexander Scott, Mt. Zion.

C. L. Merker, Friends Creek.

George Hunley, Decatur.

J. W. Ray, Friends Creek.

J. L. Grim, Hickory.

J. R. Martin, Long Creek.

D. D. Fowler, Pleasant View.

PROFESSIONAL LOAFERS.

If one takes a little pains to look into the matter he will be astonished at the number of young men in Decatur who spend their time to no good purpose. We do not refer to those who have been thrown out of employment and would be glad to work if they could get anything to do, but we speak of professional loafers, who make it a business of lounging about saloons, cigar stores, hotels, and other places of resort. Some of these young men are the sons of parents living in the city, and some of them are young men who have, unfortunately, fallen heir to small fortunes, which they have regarded as a good reason why they should not work, and have either gone through their money, or are going through it, at an alarming rate. Others are a sort of floating loafers, seeming to have no abiding place except the places where they lounge away their time. The object of calling attention to this horde of loafers, is to caution young men, who are yet respectable, against becoming their associates to any extent, and to caution parents to keep their sons from their company as far as possible.

As suggested at the beginning of this article, these professional loafers are doing no good either to themselves or anybody else. As a general thing they are devising and doing mischief, and their influence is poisonous to every one who unfortunately falls under it. They should be shunned as one would avoid the small pox. In this connection we take the liberty to say to all young men that the habit of lounging around stores of any kind, either by day or night, or hotels, and particularly billiard halls, is fraught with no good to them. When not at a respectable entertainment, or at a friend's house for a social chat or innocent games, or at a religious meeting, the place for a young man in the evening is at home—Lounging about at night has brought many a young man to dissipation and disgrace. Home and a good supply of books and papers are attractions which will be enjoyed by all sensible young men at least several evenings in the course of a week.

DISBANDED.

The President of the Ladies' Relief Society, Mrs. Thos. Hays, and the Secretary, Miss Bonneton, called at the REPUBLICAN office this morning and informed us that their society had decided yesterday, at its meeting, to disband, because of its inability to procure funds to meet the demands upon it. They report that of the \$100 appropriated by the city council for the relief of the poor, only about \$35 have been expended by the ladies, the ladies, the Mayor declining to pay the balance into the treasury of the society, because of the demands made upon him, officially for assistance, which must be met by him personally.

UR. TOWN vs. LEWIS WINSTY.—Last evening a quartette of young bloods, who seemed to be from the country, were on a genuine benzine bender about town.

When seen by our reporter they were on North Water street, just south of the Episcopal church, and were engaged in the very laudable enterprise of "mutual support."

They seemed to be discussing the question as to whether they should return to town for another drink, or go to the depot to take the train—those who were in favor of the latter were arguing that there was plenty of the "critter" on the levee; while those who wanted to come back to town for a drink maintained that the quality of that up town was far superior to that on the levee.

After some minutes spent in vigorous argument the party finally moved northward to El Dorado street, and then eastward toward the depot. So far as seen they kept on their pins, but their irregular gait indicated that there might be a collision between them and the sidewalk at any moment. The dispute, while they were standing on Water street, waxed warm, and at one time there seemed to be danger of a conflict of arms, as well as of words; but finally the advocates of down town whisky yielded with good grace, and a calm ensued.

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EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS: All subjects matter intended for this column should be addressed to I. E. Brown or Mrs. M. G. Cox, Decatur; or J. Trainer, Blue Mound, Illino.

The lost is found. See below.

The Decatur teachers' meeting was held last Saturday. There was quite a full attendance, and the forenoon was pleasantly spent in the study of Hamlet, the discussion of the question "How shall the teacher find time for self culture?" listening to an essay on the State Teachers' Association, to a drill on the difficult marks used in the dictionary, and remarks by the superintendent.

Making the Teacher.

The backwoods experience of "The Hoosier Schoolmaster" is not entirely a thing of the past. Even in our country's second century, and in self-considered centers of civilization, the boys just before Christmas set about "making the teacher treat," and parents, directors, and even some teachers themselves regard it as a harmless piece of holiday sport.

Thus, at the time of year when the school has its largest attendance, its great ambition becomes to "have some fun with the teacher." The character and effect of this custom can better be seen if the writer tells what happened the week before Christmas in two or three districts of which he has heard. The teacher of a certain village school found a number of his pupils in the school house, with boards nailed across the door and cord-wood piled against it to hold it shut. The day was spent in play, and the teacher after being "swallowed" and threatened with a ducking, promised to treat. The teacher of an adjoining district was a lady, doing good work, and highly respected; but her pupils thought it would be fun to shut her out. The history of this case is that they shut the doors on her one noon and she climbed in at the window. Some pupils of a district adjoining the other two were severely whipped for trying to shut the teacher out, and their cause espoused by the fond and foolish parents.

Such are specimens of the practice that disturbs the work of so many schools, and destroys the mutual respect and good-will of teacher and pupils. And what defense is there for it? Are our school boards giving teachers extra wages to buy apples and candy for the scholars? Then should they be prosecuted for misuse of the public funds?

Why should any teacher or school board tolerate such lawlessness or be defeated by it? It is not any part of the teacher's office to force the school open if it is closed against him by violence. He shows himself much more master of the situation, if he retires to his home and lets his time be paid for by the district that encourages such rowdiness. The school boards in the ruffian districts should direct their teachers to do nothing when the house is closed against them, but report the fact, and at the same time to quietly hold themselves ready for self-defense should the rough propose "ducking."

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It should be understood that any parties who take forcible possession of public property and prevent its lawful use, or who attempt by violence to compel any person to do what is not part of his duty, are amenable to law. Let any who thus defy the law feel its force.

In the name of justice and decency, of education and civilization, let this abominable practice forever disappear from the land.

TURNING that a few facts and figures concerning Venus and the moon might be of interest to some of your readers who noticed the recent occultation, I offer the following:

The last occultation that occurred when situated pleasantly for observation was in 1860, over seventeen years ago. The diameter of Venus and the moon are to each other as 362 to 100. Venus being about the size of the earth. Grating the existence of the inter-mundrial planet, Vulcan, Venus is the third from the sun, the earth coming next. The heat and light received from the sun are twice as intense as upon the earth. The distance of Venus from the earth was about 237 times that of the moon. This accounts for its apparently small size. She is nearer than the fixed stars and other planets, and so seems much brighter—shining so brightly that we may often see her in the daytime. In the absence of the moon at night Venus will throw a perceptible shadow. In the telescope the rays we see all disappear, and the planet forms a disc, presenting phases similar to those of the moon.

During the transits of Venus an atmosphere has been discovered which is thought to be filled with aqueous vapor. Possessing air and water Venus may be inhabited. Who can tell?

SOCIABLE LAST NIGHT.—A very pleasant affair came off last evening at the residence of Mr. I. N. Coltrin, on Union street, being the regular sociable of the Universalist congregation. There was a large attendance of young people, who entered into the festivities and amusements of the occasion with a right good will. Mr. and Mrs. Coltrin seemed to be as young as the youngest, and shared in the pleasures of the young people with much satisfaction to themselves as well as to their guests. Misses Ida and Ella, with Master Weidow, also entertained the young people in a manner which made all feel at home. At a reasonable hour the company separated, taking with them many pleasant recollections of the occasion.

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